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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY - SEPTEMBER 2

1. WP (OP-ED) EVANS AND NOVAK CLAIM WINSTON LORD, IN AN OFF-THE-RECORD BRIEFING OF STATE DEPARTMENT INTERNS, SAID SOLZHENITSYN "IS JUST ABOUT A FASCIST." AT STATE DEPARTMENT SOLZHENITSYN IS STILL VIEWED AS A THREAT TO WORLD PEACE AND DETENTE RATHER THAN AS A SYMBOL OF FREEDOM. CARTER'S FOREIGN POLICY ADVISERS AGREE HE IS A SLIGHTLY BALMY 19TH CENTURY RUSSIAN MYSTIC.

2. SUN (2) HAL PIPER HAS A POTPOURRI OF FEATURE ITEMS: SEPT. 1 IS A DOUBLE HOLIDAY, THE OPENING OF SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE SOVIET UNION AND INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY FEATURING NEW STOCKHOLM APPEAL; S VOLUME OF SOVIET ENCYCLOPEDIA HAS STALIN ARTICLE LESS THAN HALF AS LONG AS 1975 EDITION, TREATING HIM IN MORE ROUTINE AND EVEN-HANDED FASHION, BUT IS NOT A REHABILITATION; TWO NEWSPAPERS AGAIN TAKE UP OLD SOVIET CAMPAIGN TO REFORM MARRIAGE CUSTOMS.

3. POST (DC-9) JACK ANDERSON CLAIMS SECRETARY KISSINGER
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SUCCESSFULLY ASKED BOTH SOVIET AND CHINESE TO GET

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NORTH KOREA TO COOL CRISIS. ATTITUDE OF SOVIETS AND
CHINESE RAISES THE HOPE THAT FUTURE SUCH INCIDENTS
CAN BE DEFUSED, ANDERSON SAYS. COLUMN ALSO CITES
"CONFIDENTIAL CABLE" FROM MOSCOW EMBASSY WHICH QUOTES
SOVIETS AS SAYING "WITH FRIENDS LIKE KIM, WHO NEEDS
ENEMIES." KISSINGER

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